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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NUMBER: 2840/2026

Thank you for your request for information regarding suspected suicides since 01 February 2025, which has now been considered.

Applicant Question:

Dear National Police Chiefs' Council,

You previously disclosed information to me about police officers and staff believed to have killed themselves (ref. 2234/2024) :

https://www.whatdotheyknow.com/request/police_suspected_suicides_since

I seek similar information for a different period.

1. Please provide the not necessarily definitive number you hold for police suspected suicides since 1 February 2025 (include the date you recorded the most recent suspected suicide).
2. Please break down the number by gender.
3. Please break down the number by (i) serving officers (ii) former officers and (iii) staff.

In your response to my previous request for similar information, you wrote:

"Not all forces provide a return."

Additional request:

4. Please provide the names of the forces that provided a return since 1 February 2025.

NPCC Response:

The NPCC does hold information captured by your request.

The information provided to you reflects data from 01 February 2025 to 28 February 2026.

At the time of your request, the NPCC did not hold data for March 2026.

For full openness and transparency, the NPCC has collated data which captures 'suspected suicides', not a determination by HM Coroners.

The information is collected to assist in the identification of any emerging patterns to facilitate preventative action. All police force areas have provided returns. Below is a breakdown of those forces which had police 'suspected' suicides recorded in their force area:

The NPCC hold the date of 27 February 2026 as the most recent 'suspected suicide'.

Type	Female	Male	Grand Total
Former Police Officer		10	10
Former Police Staff	3	2	5
Serving Police Officer	2	10	12
Serving Police Staff	1	4	5
Grand Total			32

Yours sincerely
Freedom of Information Officer & Decision Maker

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COMPLAINT RIGHTS

Internal Review

Any request for an internal review will be acknowledged and responded to, based on the specific wording of your initial request only.

We ask that any rationale to request an internal review, does not include any requests for new information and ask that these be submitted by separate email. We will acknowledge as a new request and may aggregate to your initial request in compliance with the legislation.

If you are dissatisfied with the response you have been provided with in compliance with the Freedom of Information legislation, you can lodge a complaint with NPCC to have the decision reviewed within 40 working days of the date of this response.

The handling of your request will be looked at by someone independent of the original decision and a fresh response provided.

It would be helpful, if requesting a review, for you to articulate in detail the reasons you are not satisfied with this reply.

If you would like to request a review, please write or send an email to NPCC Freedom of Information, c/o PO Box 481, Fareham, Hampshire, PO14 9FS.